IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

ENVIRONMENTAL, SAFETY & HEALTH, INC.,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) Case No. CIV-08-1215-D
INTEGRATED PRO SERVICES, LLC d/b/a PRO TREE SERVICES,)))
Defendant.)

ORDER

Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Arbitration [Doc. No. 7] is incomplete and premature. The Motion references exhibits that are not attached; the certificate of service reflects mailing to Defendant through a registered agent.

No proof of service under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(*l*) has been made in this case. "[S]ervice of process... provides the mechanism by which a court having venue and jurisdiction over the subject matter of an action asserts jurisdiction over the person of the party served." *See Hukill v. Oklahoma Native American Domestic Violence Coalition*, 542 F.3d 794, 797 (10th Cir. 2008) (quoting *Okla. Radio Assocs. v. F.D.I.C.*, 969 F.2d 940, 943 (10th Cir.1992)). Further, no attorney has entered an appearance for Defendant, which is an entity that can appear in court only through counsel. *See Harrison v. Wahatoyas, L.L.C.*, 253 F.3d 552, 556 (10th Cir. 2001). Plaintiff must serve a motion on Defendant pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(b)(1) by service on Defendant's attorney, once one files an entry of appearance, unless the Court orders service on the party.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Motion is DENIED without prejudice to refiling at an appropriate time.

IT IS SO ORDERED this <u>21st</u> day of November, 2008.

TIMOTHY D. DEGIUSTI

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE